

Larry S. Kaplan

Professional Experience

2016 to Present: Lecturer; University of Texas at Dallas:

- *US History since 1865 (Course No. 1302)
- *Insurance Law and Contracts (Course No. FIN/RMIS 4334)

2012 to 2014: General Counsel, Freestone Insurance Company:

- *Responsible for reviewing all liability claims to determine the availability of coverage under the applicable insurance contracts. Claim values ranged from \$10K to > \$1M. Open claim files generally numbered @200.
- *Managed all litigation regardless of value involving the company.
- *Supervised claim staff in matters wherein there are coverage and/or contractual risk transfer issues.
- *Advised upper management on all developments in insurance law.

1997 to 2012: Senior Claim Coverage Counsel, Travelers Insurance Company:

- *Collaborated with the Claims Department in determining the scope of coverage per the terms of the insurance contracts.
- *Managed outside counsel in litigation involving the company in states west of the Mississippi.
- *Prepared and presented insurance law classes to Claims Departments in multi-state regions.
- *Staff Counsel representing Travelers' insureds in litigation in Texas. Handled a docket of 75-90 cases.
- *Was designated as the major case (value > \$1m) litigation attorney.

Litigation Experience

Private Practice:

- 1994 to 1997 Gerard, Singer & Levick
- 1989 to 1994 Schell, Beene & Vaughan
- 1986 to 1989 Vial, Hamilton, Koch & Knox
- 1982 to 1986 McKinney, Stringer & Webster

First or second chaired over 60 jury trials

Significant Reported Decisions

- State Farm Fire & Cas. Co. v. Taylor, 842 S.E.2d 645 (Tex. App., Ft Worth, 1992)
- CU Lloyd's of Texas v. Feldman, 977 S.W.2d 568 (Tex., 1998)
- Griffin v. Travelers Indemnity Co. of R.I., 4 S.W.3d 915 (Tex. App., Dallas, 1999)

Bar Admissions

- Texas Bar Association (since 1987)
- Oklahoma Bar Association (since 1982)
- Member of the Insurance Law Section of the State Bar of Texas

Court Admissions

Admitted to practice in the United States Supreme Court

Admitted to practice in the United States 5th and 10th Circuit Courts of Appeal

Admitted to practice in the Federal District Courts for the Northern, Southern, Western, and Eastern Districts of Texas

Admitted to practice in the Federal District Courts for the Northern, Western and Eastern Districts of Oklahoma

Insurance Education Experience

Authorized Provider of Continuing Education Courses for Insurance Adjustors by the Texas Insurance Commission for the following topics:

- The Duty to Defend

- The Reservation of Rights Letter

- Texas Law on Insurer Bad Faith

- The Texas Deceptive Trade Practices Act

- The Stowers Rule

- Contractual Risk Transfer and Indemnity Agreements

Education

MA, History UT Dallas: May, 2016

JD, University of Oklahoma Law School: May, 1982

BA, History Loyola University of Chicago: June, 1974

Service Background

20 years as an Army officer, retiring with the rank of Major in June, 1994.

Assignments included Instructor at the United States Army Field Artillery School (Ft Sill, OK)